Keeping of judgment debtors in lock-up.

173. *MR. E. P. VARGHESE (*Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertala*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether Police Inspectors are empowered to keep judgment-debtors arrested in pursuance of warrants issued by the Civil Courts by the peons of the Civil Courts in the lock-up attached to the station along with the under-trial persons in the criminal cases ; and

(*b*) whether there have been any such case in the Shertala Police Station in the month of Edavom 1113 ?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : (*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

Construction of a Channel at Koonananjilikal, Kunnatnad taluk.

174. *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether contract has been given to any person for the construction at Koonananjilikkal of a permanent channel with a lock and a tank convenient for *valloms* to get in and out ;

(*b*) if so, to whom the contract has been given and its amount ;

(*c*) whether the contract was given after inviting tenders ;

(*d*) whether the work has been completed ;

(*e*) whether the Government or the Irrigation Department have indemnified the contractor against any loss sustained by him in this work ;

(*f*) if so, the amount so indemnified ;

(*g*) whether there was any special reason for doing so ; and

(*h*) if so, what they are ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Mr. N. Mahadeva Iyer, P. W. D. contractor, Alleppey for Rs. 7,666.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) No.

(*f*), (*g*) & (*h*). These do not arise in view of the answer to part (*e*) above.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: ഈ ജോലി എന്നു തീർത്തു തരാമെന്നാണ് കൺട്രാക്റ്റ് എടുത്ത ആൾ പറയുന്നത്?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : It all depends upon the question when we get the land. We are waiting for the land acquisition proceedings by the Cochin Government.

Agriculturists' Relief Regulation.

175. *MR. JOSEPH VITHAYATHIL (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received representations regarding the advisability of amending the Agriculturists' Relief Regulation so as to afford greater relief to the Agriculturist debtors in the State ; and

(*b*) what steps, if any, they have taken in the matter ?

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MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI :

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter is under consideration.

MR. JOSEPH VITHAYATHIL : May I know from the Government whether they have received any representation or memorial from the agriculturists of the Kuttanad Association ?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI : Yes, Sir. The Government have received a representation. It is engaging the attention of the Government.

Scheme of village reconstruction.

176. *MR. P. K. KUMARAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have before them any definite scheme of village reconstruction work for providing primary education, medical aid, means of communication etc ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, what the scheme is ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*President, Economic Development Board*) :

(*a*) & (*b*) The organisation of rural reconstruction work in selected areas, preferably through non-official agencies is one of the duties of the reconstituted Economic Development Board. The Board has prepared a Memorandum on the subject and appointed a Committee of the Board to do rural reconstruction work in the light of the Memorandum. The Board has also forwarded to Government in outline, a scheme of work for the next three years. It is proposed that, in 1114, organising work should be done in a few selected areas. The question of providing funds for the purpose is under consideration.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kalkulam cum Vilavankod*) : ഇങ്ങനെ ഒരു സ്കീം തയ്യാറാക്കിയിട്ടുള്ളതു ആരാണെന്നു പറയാമോ?

MR. K. GEORGE : A sub-committee was appointed by the Board.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI : അവർക്ക് അതിലേക്കു പ്രത്യേകമായി ഒരു ഗ്രാൻറ് കൊടുക്കണമെന്നല്ലാതെ വില്ലേജ് പഞ്ചായത്തു്, പ്രൈമറി എഡ്യൂക്കേഷൻ, വില്ലേജ് സാനിറേഷൻ എന്നീ പ്രവർത്തനപദ്ധതികൾ കൂടെ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തിയിട്ടാണോ ഇങ്ങനെ ഒരു സ്കീം എഴുതി ഫാജരാക്കിയിട്ടുള്ളതു്?

MR. K. GEORGE : No.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI : പിന്നെ എങ്ങനെയുള്ള സ്കീമാണ് എഴുതി ഫാജരാക്കിയിട്ടുള്ളതു്?

MR. K. GEORGE : Sir, the scheme is one for encouraging rural development in areas where there is initiative on the part of the people. Government should not foist the scheme of rural reconstruction where the people are not ready to take initiative in the matter.

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